

1952

Production

Body Style	F-1	F-2	F-3
80 Platform	19	28	37
81 Chassis-cab	2844	1121	1731
82 Panel Delivery	6565	--	--
82B Deluxe Panel Delivery	1611		
83 Pickup	81,537	15,136	15,771
84 Chassis-cowl	287	276	590
85 Chassis-windshield	252	233	204
86 Stake	<u>1033</u>	<u>785</u>	<u>1658</u>
Total Production	141,668	20,469	24, 279

Serial number and body style codes are located on a plate attached to the driver's door.

Serial Numbers

F1 series serial numbers typically read like this: F1D2LU100001

The F1 indicates the series identification code (F1 = F1 and the like).

The next letter (D or R) indicates whether the engine is a 6 cylinder or a V-8, D = 6 cylinder, R = V-8

The next number is the last digit of the model year - 2 = 1952

The LU is the assembly plant code (see below for a full list).

The final numbers beginning with 1 are the consecutive numbering

Courier (see below for description) serial number read like this: A2LU100001

A = engine code, A = 216ci, 6 cylinder, B = 239ci V-8

2 = last digit of the model year, 2 means 1952

LU = assembly plant code, see below

Transmission codes: 3 = 3 speed manual, 3HD = heavy duty 3 speed manual, 4 = 4 speed manual spur, 4SYN = 4 speed manual synchronized.

Body Style Codes

- 80 = Platform
- 81 = Chassis-cab
- 83 = Pickup
- 84 = Chassis-cowl
- 85 = Chassis-windshield
- 86 = Stake

F-series Exterior Color Codes

- Black A
- Meadow Green M
- Woodsmoke Gray D
- Sandpiper Tan K
- Primer P
- Sheridan Blue B
- Vermilion N
- Glenmist Green G
- Special Paint SS

Courier Color Codes

- Maroon/Gray A
- Tan B,F,S
- Gray/Red D
- Green E
- Black/Red G
- Brown/Tan H,N
- Green/Ivory J
- Dark Blue, Light Blue K
- Green/Gray M
- Blue/Gray R
- Mahogany/Straw T
- Dark Blue/Ivory U
- Dark Brown/Ivory V
- Dark Brown/Gray X

Gross Vehicle Weights

F-1 1/2 ton vehicles all have an indicated GVW of 4700 lbs regardless of the body style

F-2 3/4 ton vehicles all have an indicated GVW of 5700 lbs regardless of the body style

F-3 3/4 ton HD vehicles all have an indicated GVW of 6800 lbs regardless of the body style

F-4 1 ton vehicles all have an indicated GVW of 7500 lbs regardless of the body style

Axle Ratios

Model	Standard	Option	Overdrive
F-1 1/2 ton	3.91:1	4.27:1	4.09:1
F-2 3/4 ton	4.86:1	4.11:1	
F-3 3/4 ton HD	4.86:1	4.11:1	
F-4 1 ton	5.14:1	5.83:1	

Original List Prices

Body Style	F-1	F-2	F-3
80 Platform	\$1465	\$1610	\$1714
81 Chassis Cab	1339	1487	1584
82 Panel delivery	1647		
83 Pickup	1425	?	?
84 Chassis Cowl	1088	1234	1329
86 Stake	1505	1668	1766

New for 1952

Most exterior changes were cosmetic. The Ford name appeared again fastened to the upper grille support panel. A V-8 emblem was located on the center of the hood vent when vehicles were so equipped. A round emblem on the sides of the hood spear indicated the model designation. The front grille was painted white as was the front trim on the hood.

A new overhead valve 6 cylinder engine replaced the venerable flathead. Displacing 215ci it was rated at 101hp. The flathead V-8 had a higher-lift camshaft which boosted horsepower to 106. F-1 trucks had argent painted hubcaps with red lettering, F-2's and F-3's got chrome-plated ones.

This year the sedan delivery reappeared. Called the Courier Custom Delivery, it was based on the Ranch Wagon passenger car without side and quarter windows. The Courier was trimmed like the basic Mainline passenger car and came with a brown vinyl driver's seat, a two-tone headliner, and gray Masonite body liners. You could get an overdrive transmission as well as the Fordomatic automatic.

Standard Equipment:

- ✓ Speedometer, odometer, ammeter, water temperature, and oil pressure gauges
- ✓ Spare tire and a frame-mounted carrier
- ✓ Rear bumper on the panel truck only, an option on all others
- ✓ Rubber-pads under the cab helped reduce vibration
- ✓ Running boards were painted black on pickups and stake trucks, body color on the panel
- ✓ 20 gallon gas tank installed behind the seat on all but the chassis-without-cabs models where it was mounted inside the left frame rail and held 17 gallons.
- ✓ 3-speed manual transmission also standard, 4-speed in the F-2.
- ✓ Heavy-duty 3-speed transmission was optional.

Major Options:

- ✓ V-8 engine (inline 6 cyl was standard)
- ✓ HD 3 speed and 4 speed transmissions

- ✓ 11 in. clutch
- ✓ Chrome rear bumper
- ✓ Seat Covers
- ✓ Passenger-side sun visor
- ✓ Spare tire and carrier
- ✓ Spotlight
- ✓ Engine governor
- ✓ Front tow hooks
- ✓ Grille guard
- ✓ Sliding rear window
- ✓ HD clutch
- ✓ HD battery
- ✓ HD generator
- ✓ HD radiator
- ✓ Radiator overflow tank
- ✓ AM radio
- ✓ RH windshield wiper
- ✓ MagicAire heater and defroster
- ✓ Recirculating heater and defroster
- ✓ 5-star Extra package including dual electric horns, two-tone upholstery made of mohair and vinyl, deluxe door trim panels, extra sound insulation, bright window trim, door locks, armrests, dome light with door-controlled switches.
- ✓ Windshield visor
- ✓ RH taillight
- ✓ Hi-Way horns
- ✓ Tool Kit
- ✓ Cigar lighter
- ✓ Leather-covered armrests
- ✓ Whitewall tires
- ✓ Fire extinguisher
- ✓ See-Clear windshield wiper
- ✓ Exterior mirrors

